

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

On page 14, please replace the fifth paragraph with the following amended paragraph:

If the failure is in the second storage node, excluding the storage devices, the first storage controller 20 will control the logic state of the first controller failover 76 to disable the second storage controller 40. The first storage controller 20 controls ~~the~~ state of the logic state of the first controller path 80 to access the failed second storage node's storage devices  $k$  and  $2k-1$  or access its primary storage devices 1 and  $k-1$ .